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Seattle Human Rights Commission Meeting

Thursday, July 7, 2011, 6:00–8:00 p.m.

City Hall - Boards and Commissions Room

Commissioners Present

Jessica Andrade, Damien Carter, Nika Dahlbacka, Andrew Lewis, Joshua Marshall, Merri Ann Osborne, Marty Penner, Mike Peters, Mica Powers, Roslyn Solomon, Christopher Stearns, Keith Toussaint, Jennifer Yogi

Commissioners Absent

Jesse Aspuria

SOCR Staff Present

Felicia Yearwood, Chenelle Love, JT Delich

Guests:

Greg Ramirez, Adlira Kuka, Emily Murphy, Mariah Ortiz, Michael Plengrat, Katherine Barrich, Micah Babinski (CM Harrell's intern)

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

May and June 2011 minutes were approved as read

SOCR report

Chenelle Love introduced herself and indicated that she will serve as Acting Enforcement Manager through September 2011. In a recent employment case, a female employee received as settlement on month's salary and two months' COBRA.

Keith Toussaint has submitted his resignation. Roslyn Solomon asked all other Commissioners to assess their ability to continue serving on the Commission in light of their various commitments.

Discussion ensued regarding the Commission's focus and its structure. Commissioners broke into work groups to discuss strategies for achieving work plan goals, then reported back to the body.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.